

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A sleeve for covering a ladder rung, the sleeve comprising:
 - a first end;
 - a second end opposite the first end; and
 - a first surface that defines an opening extending from the first end to the second end, wherein the first surface is adapted to contact the ladder rung.
2. The sleeve of claim 1, wherein the sleeve is a cylindrical sleeve having a predetermined length and a predetermined diameter.
3. The sleeve of claim 1, wherein a cross-section of the opening is circular.
4. The sleeve of claim 1, wherein the first surface is an inner surface.
5. The sleeve of claim 4, further comprising a second surface concentric with the first surface.
6. The sleeve of claim 5, wherein the second surface is an outer surface.
7. The sleeve of claim 1, wherein the sleeve includes one of solid rubber and cellular rubber.

8. The sleeve of claim 1, wherein the first surface includes a plurality of grooves.
9. The sleeve of claim 7, wherein the cellular rubber includes closed cell rubber.
10. The sleeve of claim 7, wherein the cellular rubber includes open cell rubber.
11. The sleeve of claim 10, wherein the open cell rubber includes foam.
12. The sleeve of claim 1, further comprising a slit that extends from the first surface to a second surface of the sleeve.
13. The sleeve of claim 12, wherein the slit extends from the first end of the sleeve to the second end of the sleeve.
14. The sleeve of claim 1, further comprising a fabric layer connected to a second surface of the sleeve.
15. The sleeve of claim 14, wherein the fabric layer is waterproof.
16. The sleeve of claim 14, further comprising a fastener connected to the fabric layer.

17. A ladder, comprising:

a first side rail;

a second side rail opposite the first side rail;

a rung connected to the first and second side rails; and

a sleeve that covers the rung.

18. The ladder of claim 17, wherein the sleeve is removable.

19. The ladder of claim 17, wherein the sleeve includes a grooved surface in contact with the rung.

20. A ladder, comprising:

a first side rail;

a second side rail opposite the first side rail;

a rung connected to the first and second side rails; and

means for covering the rung.